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## **WSP SWAT Team Puts Armored Car In Service**

Washington State Patrol Chief Ronal Serpas announced today that the Special Weapons and Tactics Team (SWAT) has added a new tool to their unit. They recently acquired a donated 1992 Ford F-700 armored car from the Counter Drug Task Force of the Washington National Guard. This vehicle will provide SWAT Team members transportation to crime sites and afford them armored protection.

In 2002, the SWAT Team performed 75 tactical missions, which exceeded the 43 tactical missions in 2001. These tactical missions involved methamphetamine labs, narcotics, high-risk warrants, and murder suspects.

“With SWAT missions becoming more and more dangerous every day, this vehicle will enhance the safety of our SWAT Team members,” stated Chief Serpas.



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